

PATENT

Agent Docket No. 134.001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **CLAERHOUT, Mike**
Serial No.: Not known
Filing Date [371(c)]: Not known
Title: **APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR THERMAL
DE-BURRING OF SLOTTED WELL LINERS**
Group Art Unit: Not known
Examiner: Not known

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

October 17, 2005

TO: Commissioner for Patents
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A. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicant respectfully requests entry of amendments in accordance with the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper, and in which all amended claims have been marked to indicate the changes made, relative to the claims in the international application (which was not amended in the international phase).

This Preliminary Amendment is being submitted concurrently with the initial national stage submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.